

DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes

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**Monday, March 3, 2003
7:00 p.m.**

**Recreation Center Lounge Clubroom
2700 N. Woodland**

The District VI Advisory Board Meeting was held at 7:00 P.M. at Evergreen Neighborhood City Hall. In attendance were the District VI City Council Member, ten (10) District Advisory Board Members, four (4)-city staff, and eight (8) citizens. Approximately 22 were in attendance.

Members Present

Council Member Sharon Fearey
Maurine Willis
Linda Matney
Rosalie Bradley
Dick Rumsey
Bob Schreck
C. Bickley Foster
Kyle Irvin
Bob Wine
John Cohoon
David Pendergraft
Jaya Escobar

Members Absent

Annie Best
Florena Schneweis

Staff

Bill Longnecker Planning Dept
Terri Dozal, Neighborhood Assistant
Officer Kimble, Patrol North
Officer Franco, Patrol North

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for February 3, 2003, were approved with the following corrections

(Schreck/Pendergraft 9-0)

- Maurine Willis name was spelled incorrectly
- Approval of the agenda was noted the motion was made by Schreck and should have been Wine

The minutes for February 19, 2003, were approved as submitted. **(Schreck/Pendergraft 9-0)**

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with amendments to include **(Schreck/Pendergraft 9-0)**.

- Item 3a discussion of the Floodway Bridge
- Item 3b discussion of Riverside Zoo.

PUBLIC AGENDA

No Items were submitted

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

1. Community Police Report

Officer Paul Kimble: 49 Beat discussed placing the Speed Trailer along 37th street between Seneca & Meridian one entire day and received good data.

The trailer will be put out some time in the Moorings and Key West and along 25th Street. Contact Patrol North Bureau if you are interested in having the trailer check for speeders in your area. A telephone Scam warning for Area Codes 809, 284 and 876 information. If you receive a call or e-mail from someone stating to return a call to these area codes, **do not call back**. These numbers are in the British Isles or Bahamas and charge \$2,400/minute. Report this to the Fraud division of the Police department so they are aware this is happening in Wichita.

Officer Franco: 48 Beat stated in late March Community Police Officer Ryan would be working a John Sting on prostitutes. Recently, in the 1000 Block of Market Street where the Tiffany Shoe Shine was located the store was shut down due to prostitution. The speed trailer was set at 2500 N. Market and Jackson. Officers Silva and Franco have been working with Head Start in Evergreen to do the Ident-a-child Program. An appreciation luncheon was given to the Patrol North officers from the Evergreen Parks and Recreation Staff, Larry Dennis and Colleen Edwards. 2825 N. Market, the property with three horses, we finally are making some headway with this complaint.

*******Action taken: Receive and File**

PLANNING

2. ZON 2003-04 Zone Change from “SF-5” single-family Residential to “TF-#” two-family Residential West of Hoover and north of Elm.

The District VI Advisory Board (DAB) considered ZON2003-00004 Zone change from “SF-5” Single Family Residential to “TF-3” Two-Family Residential

The DAB Members were provided the public notice and MAPD staff comments for review prior to the meeting.

The owner/applicant was present to answer questions.

Neighbors represented did not oppose this case.

The DAB Members expressed the following: 1) how many total duplex units would there be; 2) the paving in front of the duplex units was a major concern **if only half of the street was to be paved**; 3) can the paving project be put into the CIP; 4) what happened with the petition the residents requested for paving; 5) how large would the units be; 6) were there any plans for landscaping; 7) how many openings onto the street from duplex units would there be; 8) Will there be access for separate utilities and 9) when was the last time new homes were built in this area.

***** **Action taken: DAB members voted to recommend Approval of the request based on Staff recommendations. (Foster/Matney 9-0)**

Member Escobar arrived at 8:00 p.m.

BOARD AGENDA

3. Fireworks Task Force

Council Member Fearey asked for two members to be appointed to the City Task Force to develop future options of Fireworks distribution

***** **Action taken: Bob Schreck and David Pendergraft were appointed.**

3a. **Discussion of Floodway Bridge**

Member Foster received a letter sent from Mayoral candidate Carlos Mayans about the 25th Bridge; it was not political, just referring to the Floodway Bridge and Mayans being against building the bridge along 25th street. **Foster** continued to say he made six calls in his neighborhood and only some people had received this notice.

Member Wine gave input when Joan Cole and Carlos Mayans came to his neighborhood association meeting. A letter was sent from Jack Schulte to the Wichita Eagle and put in the editorials. It was about the bridge decision and when was something going to actually be done.

Foster is concerned the two mayoral candidates know nothing about the Floodway bridge and candidates for District V want the Bridge at 13th street. We need to send a letter and a hard copy of the PowerPoint presentation on the 25th street Bridge to the mayoral candidates and District V candidates from the Bridge Task Force about their view and recommendations made to the DAB and staff engineers along with the history and background of this project. Mayans doesn't know the history about the 13th street Bridge. The candidates who were selected are not neighborhood related. They don't know the process used to do decision-making. They need to look to people of their community.

Member Willis said a letter was an excellent idea for informing.

Member Rumsey stated I cannot vote in favor of this. Not saying the bridge should be on 13th Street either but I cannot vote for sending a letter to the candidates. I did not support or back either candidate.

Council Member Fearey explained the Task Force she requested study the 25th Street Bridge.

***** **Action taken:** Motion for a letter to be drafted by the Neighborhood Assistant and send along background facts, surrounding history and the engineering studies to be sent to the Mayoral and District V candidates. The letter is to be signed by the President Pro-Tem (**Foster/ Wine 9-1/ Rumsey**)

Member Wine continued to say it was discouraging and disturbing as a voter/resident to represent a contradiction. What the issue really is. There is a process for making neighborhood decisions. Makes sense to do this action.

Member Pendergraft asked if this is a fight we want to get into and is this an appropriate forum? Will this put Council Member Fearey in a hot seat?

Willis stated we would not attack campaign promises.

Pendergraft, Matney and Foster will look at the finished letter.

3b. **Riverside Zoo**

Council Member Fearey noted during the City Council workshop the pink papers that showed the budget cuts for 2003 stated the closing of Riverside zoo. As of today we are finding money to keep the zoo open for six months. Kathy Dittmer, Commissioner Carolyn McGinn and myself are looking at other ways to keep the zoo open permanently. It's possible Friends University will look at assisting.

Member Foster asked how about a promotional item for Sedgwick County Zoo?

***** **Action taken:** Motion made that DAB VI fully supports continued funding for keeping Riverside zoo open. (**Bradley/Rumsey 10-0**)

4. **Problem Properties**

- List from Bob Wine
- Black Cadillac speeder West of Waco on 13th daily from 5-5:15 p.m.

***** **Action taken:** Receive and propose appropriate action.

5. **Neighborhood Reports**

Benjamin Hills: on March 4, 2003 will be hosting a Mayoral candidate at 6:30 pm

Sherwood Glen: hosting a gun safety clinic at the Law Training Center on Saturday April 5th this is an 8 hr class for \$15. Call Jack Lee at 838-4897 for a follow-up with home safety awareness.

WIN: hosting a Mayoral and school candidate's forum at the Gloria Dei Lutheran along with Riverside Citizens Association on March 17th at 7pm.

WIN: hosting Neighborhood University Saturday April 19th

Orchard Park: Egrets coming into nest 2-3 weeks off Hoover Rd. at 11th street.

NRNA: Cleaning up Riverbank on March 22nd and cutting down trees starting at 8 am.

*******Action taken:** Receive and file

UPDATES from the Council Member

- City of Wichita Budget: *City council working behind scene.*
- City Arts: *on agenda for tomorrow, it will probably pass. Jerry Prichard asked if any improvements recovered money would be used? Fearey responded she didn't know; possible private money would be used.*
- Comprehensive Traffic Safety Plan: *reviewing*
- 17th and Park Place: *a car wreck wiped out signs and trees. Staff is reviewing this situation.*
- Fence at I-235 and Zoo Boulevard-*the damaged artwork was repaired last year and the fence should be repaired by now.*
- 5400 W. 13th: *3 trucks were stickered on the lot across the alley. The dirt on the other lot is not in violation. Salvage material, fencing etc. on dirt lot was found. OCI has been contacted to look at the issue of parking trucks and the issue of dirt piles. Letter was sent on this property for violations and a recheck will be on 2-19-03.*
- Day Reporting Center (DRC) *is now open. Our Council member is on the Advisory Board. A man rescued a child at a motel was a client of the DRC. They have many programs. The facility is licensed for 120 and they have 60 clients. The Salvage yard across from the center is allowing DRC clients to repair cars and then the cars are given to Social Service Agencies for Low-income people.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President's Council, Thursday, March 6th, 7 p.m. City Hall First Floor Board Room: **Topic** City Manager Chris Cherches will be present to discuss citizen involvement and issues impacting the City of Wichita

- Jaya Escobar's picture in newspaper article. Nice Work!

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal
6th District Neighborhood Assistant

Guests

Jim & Evelyn Mc Elroy	732 N Hoover 67212- In favor of Paving	
Woodrow Anderson	814 N. Hoover 67212 – In favor of Paving	
Willie Stephen	801 N. Hoover 67212 - In favor of Paving	943-1631
Berle Willis	3834 Woodrow	
Janice & Don Bobbitt	748 N. Hoover, 67212 – In favor of Paving	
Jerry J. Prichard	1607 N. Clarence 67203	